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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

**Solidarity message to Primera Air workers**

The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) and its European arm the European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF) have been working hard to tackle the negative impacts of liberalisation and deregulation, the growth of aviation flags of convenience (FOC), social dumping and other challenges facing aviation and airline workers today.

In different parts of the world we witness more and more AOC shopping and atypical employment practices making it difficult for workers to gain a collective voice.

Primera Air is one such carrier and they are taking advantage of the available loopholes of "open skies" to have more flexibility with regards to labour relations and union-busting. The airline transferred the company from one country to another frequently and dismissed workers accordingly when it felt the need.

We need to stop such rampant social dumping practices and aviation FOCs right now. Otherwise, our industry will witness extermination of all decent and quality jobs.

On behalf of the ITF and ETF, we express our complete solidarity with your struggle and fully support your rightful demands.

In solidarity

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